

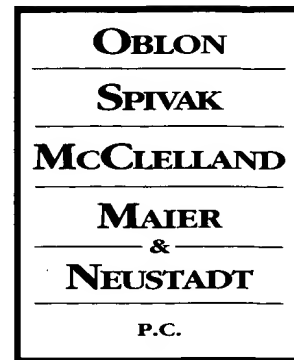


Docket No.: 228477US6 CONT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING  
GROUP 1764"

Corres. and Mail  
**BOX AF**



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

GREGORY J. MAIER  
(703) 413-3000  
GMAIER@OBLON.COM

CHRISTOPHER D. WARD  
SENIOR ASSOCIATE  
(703) 413-3000  
CWARD@OBLON.COM

RE: Application Serial No.: 09/711,362  
Applicants: Yoshiaki YOKOYAMA, et al.  
RCE Filed: July 6, 2004  
For: TREATING APPARATUS, TREATING METHOD  
AND METHOD OF TREATING SOIL  
Group Art Unit: 1764  
Examiner: LEUNG, J.

SIR:  
Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION (After Final)**

Our check in the amount of \$0 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Gregory J. Maier

Registration No. 25,599

Customer Number

**22850**

(703) 413-3000 (phone)  
(703) 413-2220 (fax)

Christopher D. Ward  
Registration No. 41,367